CCRB INVESTIGATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Investigator:		Team:	CCRB Case #:	✓ Force	☐ Discourt.	☐ U.S.
Perri Fagin		Squad #10	201708880	✓ Abuse	O.L.	☐ Injury
Incident Date(s)	Location of Incident:			Precinct:	18 Mo. SOL	EO SOL
Friday, 10/27/2017 6:00 PM		In front of 515 Blake Aver patrol car; 73rd Precinct st		73	4/27/2019	4/27/2019
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Complainant/Victim	Type	Home Addre	ess			
Subject Officer(s)	Shield	TaxID	Command			
1. An officer			073 PCT			
2. POM Jeffrey Goris	17322	954887	073 PCT			
3. DTS Joseph Mcevoy	7393	944790	073 PCT			
4. SGT Oscar Nunez	03505	935412	073 PCT			
Witness Officer(s)	Shield N	o Tax No	Cmd Name			
1. POF Jessica Brito	16431	957402	073 PCT			
2. POM George Allen	06387	944517	073 PCT			
3. POM Jason Smith	16580	947496	073 PCT			
4. SGT Michael Mongan	01929	941119	073 PCT			
Officer(s)	Allegation	on		Inve	estigator Recon	nmendation
A.DTS Joseph Mcevoy	Force: In Joseph M	front of 515 Blake Ave IcEvoy pointed his gun	nue in Brooklyn, De at ^{§ 87(2)(b)}	etective		
B.SGT Oscar Nunez		Abuse: In front of 515 Blake Avenue in Brooklyn, Sergeant Oscar Nunez drew his gun.				
C. An officer		Force: In front of 515 Blake Avenue in Brooklyn, an officer used force against \$87(2)(5)				
D.SGT Oscar Nunez	Oscar Ni	Abuse: In front of 515 Blake Avenue in Brooklyn, Sergeant Oscar Nunez searched the vehicle in which \$87(2)(6) was an occupant.				
E.DTS Joseph Mcevoy	Brooklyı	Abuse: En route to the 73rd Precinct stationhouse in Brooklyn, Detective Joseph Mcevoy refused to provide his shield number to \$87(2)(5)				
F.DTS Joseph Mcevoy		Abuse: At the 73rd Precinct stationhouse in Brooklyn, Detective Joseph McEvoy refused to provide his name to 887(2)(b)				
G.POM Jeffrey Goris		At the 73rd Precinct stati effrey Goris searched th was an occupant.				
H.DTS Joseph Mcevoy		Abuse: At the 73rd Precinct stationhouse in Brooklyn, Detective Joseph McEvoy searched the vehicle in which 8 87(2)(b) was an occupant.				
§ 87(4-b), § 87(2)(g)						

Officer(s)	Allegation	Investigator Recommendation
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Case Summary

called the CCRB and filed this complaint on October 30, 2017. On October 27, 2017, at approximately 6:00 p.m., \$37(2)(5) was driving alone in the vicinity of 515 Blake Avenue in Brooklyn. §87(2)(b) was pulled over by Sergeant Oscar Nunez, Detective Joseph McEvoy, Police Officer Jessica Brito, Police Officer Jeffrey Goris, Police Officer George Allen, and Police Officer Jason Smith of the 73rd Precinct. Sgt. Nunez, Det. McEvoy, and PO Brito approached § 87(2)(b) s vehicle. Det. McEvoy allegedly pointed his gun at § 87(2)(b) and Sgt. Nunez allegedly drew his gun and pointed it at the ground (Allegation A: Force, § 87(2)(9) and Allegation B: Abuse of Authority, After \$\frac{30}{2}\text{(2)}\text{(2)}\text{(2)}\text{ exited his vehicle, he was allegedly pushed onto the vehicle by an unidentified officer (Allegation C: Force, \$87(2)(9)), and was handcuffed. Sgt. s vehicle through the front driver side door and searched Nunez allegedly entered § 87(2)(b) the vehicle (Allegation D: Abuse of Authority, \$87(2)(9) ■ Sgt. Nunez allegedly s identification. § 87(2)(b) and his vehicle were transported to the 73rd Precinct stationhouse. During his transport, §87(2)(b) allegedly requested Det. McEvoy's shield number; however, \$37(2)(b) was ignored (Allegation E: Abuse of Authority, At the 73rd Precinct stationhouse, while in front of the desk, \$\(\mathbb{g}(2)\) allegedly requested Det. McEvoy's name. However, Det. McEvoy never responded (Allegation F: Abuse of Authority, § 87(2)(g) s vehicle was ultimately released to his father, but it was allegedly searched by PO Goris and Det. McEvoy at the stationhouse (Allegation G: Abuse of Authority, § 87(2)(9) and Allegation H: Abuse of Authority, § 87(2)(9) § 87(4-b), § 87(2)(g) Pursuant to the vehicle stop, § 87(2)(b) was arrested for § 87(2)(b) (Board Review 10). There was no available video footage of this incident. Surveillance footage was obtained from a nearby building; however, it does not clearly capture the incident, nor does it capture any allegations, as the incident occurred far away from the camera and is not fully in the frame (Board Review 11). **Findings and Recommendations** Allegation (A) Force: In front of 515 Blake Avenue in Brooklyn, Detective Joseph McEvoy pointed his gun at § 87(2)(b) Allegation (B) Abuse of Authority: In front of 515 Blake Avenue in Brooklyn, Sergeant Oscar Nunez drew his gun. Amongst officers, it is undisputed that §87(2)(b) was driving in excess of the 25 miles-perhour speed limit on Blake Avenue. testified that he did not commit any traffic violations prior to being pulled over. He immediately pulled over when he noticed police lights and sirens behind him, but also stated he did not see where this police vehicle came from, and he was listening to music very loudly as he

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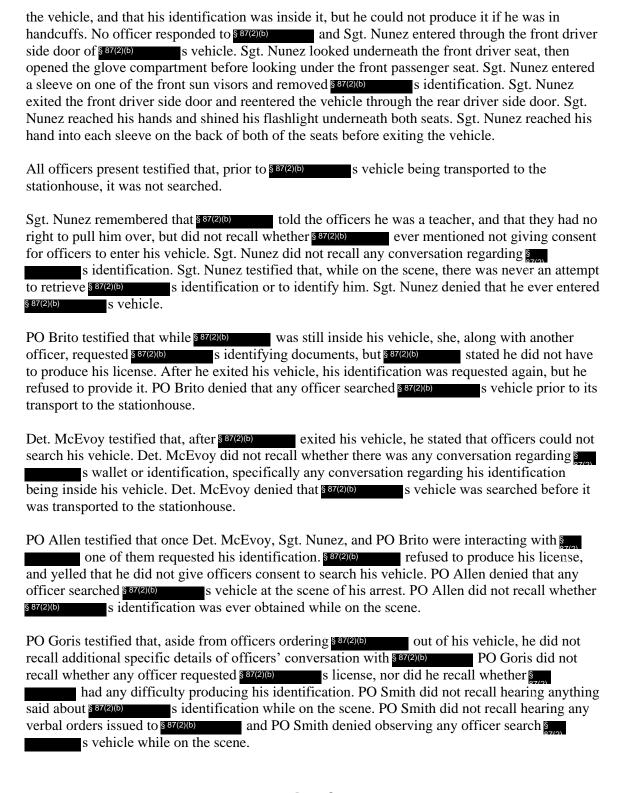
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allegedly had his gun pointed at \$87(2)(b) during his approach, which \$87(2)(b) observed through his rearview mirror. Det. McEvoy maintained his gun pointed at \$87(2)(b) until \$87(2)(b) observed exited his vehicle, at which point he holstered it. \$87(2)(b) denied observing PO Brito or Sgt. Nunez with their guns drawn; however, he was not paying attention to them as he was focused on Det. McEvoy (Board Review 12).
Sgt. Nunez testified that, after he observed \$87(2)(b) speeding down the street, the turret lights of his vehicle were immediately activated as his vehicle began to pursue \$87(2)(b) s vehicle. \$87(2)(b) failed to stop. According to Sgt. Nunez's testimony cross-referenced with a Google map of the area, \$87(2)(b) drove through approximately four intersections without pulling over (Board Review 21). Sgt. Nunez also testified that he observed \$87(2)(b) drive through a red light at Junius Street and Blake Avenue, tailgate at least one vehicle, as well as cross over a double-yellow line. Sgt. Nunez felt that \$87(2)(b) s speeding and evasion of the police constituted a dangerous situation and were the sole factors which led him to believe \$27(2)(b) s vehicle to approach \$87(2)(b) s vehicle, and held it pointed at the ground, "in a ready position" on his hip. He drew his gun because he did not know why \$87(2)(b) was driving so fast and refused to pull over. Sgt. Nunez denied pointing his gun anywhere except down at the ground. Sgt. Nunez denied observing any other officers with their guns drawn (Board Review 13).
Det. McEvoy testified that he observed \$87(2)(b) speeding, which constituted reckless driving and reckless endangerment. He, Sgt. Nunez, and PO Brito got into their vehicle and activated its emergency lights and sirens. Det. McEvoy was driving 40-50 miles-per-hour to catch up to and \$87(2)(b) was travelling faster than other vehicles on the road, which was how he knew \$87(2)(b) was travelling over the 25 miles-per-hour speed limit. During this pursuit, Det. McEvoy observed \$87(2)(b) drive through a red light at Junius Street and Blake Avenue, and cross over a double-yellow line. \$87(2)(b) travelled approximately four blocks before he was unable to pass a bus, and he pulled over. Sgt. Nunez, Det. McEvoy, and PO Brito all approached \$87(2)(b) s vehicle; PO Brito on the passenger side and Sgt. Nunez and Det. McEvoy on the driver side. Det. McEvoy testified that he never had his gun drawn, nor did any officers present (Board Review 14).
PO Brito testified that she observed driving recklessly, which is when her vehicle, occupied by Det. McEvoy, Sgt. Nunez, and herself, drove after him with activated emergency lights and sirens. PO Brito knew was speeding as Det. McEvoy was driving 40 miles-per-hour and was driving faster. Serce s speeding was the sole contributor to his reckless driving. PO Brito denied observing either of her partners ever draw their firearm (Board Review 15).
PO Goris testified that he observed force travelling over 25-miles-per-hour, the speed limit in the area. PO Goris entered his vehicle with PO Smith and PO Allen, as Sgt. Nunez, PO Brito, and Det. McEvoy entered their vehicle. PO Goris' vehicle followed Sgt. Nunez's, which was following force Sgt. Nunez's vehicle's emergency lights were activated, but PO Goris did not recall whether the lights in his vehicle were activated, as well. PO Goris did not
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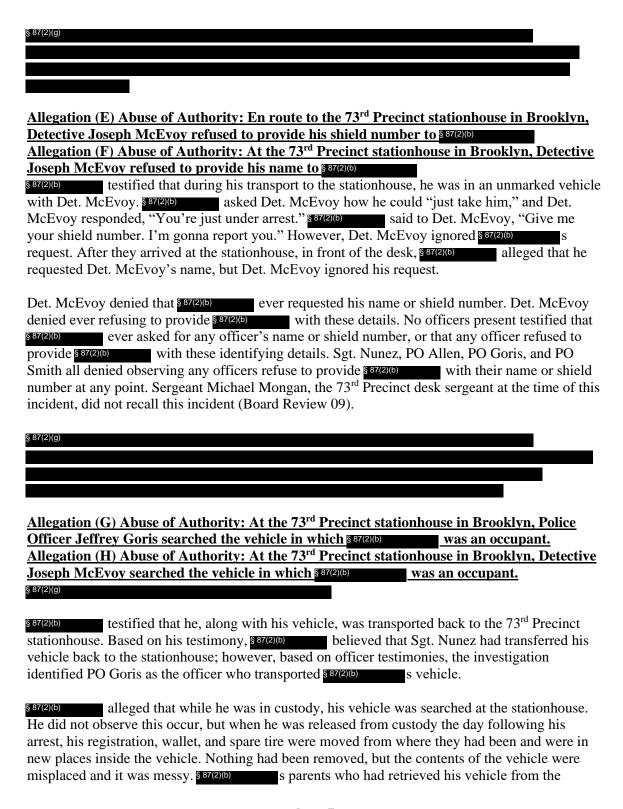
recall how long it took \$87(2)(b) to pull over, but stated it was "fairly quickly." Aside from speeding, PO Goris denied observing \$87(2)(b) commit additional violations during this pursuit. PO Goris observed Sgt. Nunez, Det. McEvoy, and PO Brito exit their vehicle. PO Goris did not recall seeing any officer approach \$87(2)(b) s vehicle with their gun drawn (Board Review 16).
PO Allen testified that he observed \$87(2)(b) speeding, and Sgt. Nunez's vehicle immediately activated their emergency grill lights. PO Allen's vehicle followed Sgt. Nunez's vehicle, while Sgt. Nunez's vehicle followed \$87(2)(b) s vehicle. PO Allen did not recall whether his vehicle's lights were activated. During the pursuit, \$87(2)(b) s vehicle remained speeding and may have driven around a few other vehicles, which constituted reckless driving. The police vehicles needed to pursue \$87(2)(b) s vehicle for three to six blocks before \$87(2)(b) pulled over. PO Allen did not know whether there was any indication that \$87(2)(b) may have possessed a weapon. PO Allen observed PO Brito, Sgt. Nunez, and Det. McEvoy approach \$27(2)(c) s vehicle, but he did not know whether any officer ever unholstered their gun. PO Allen denied seeing any officer point their gun at \$87(2)(b) or his vehicle (Board Review 17).
PO Smith testified that he observed \$87(2)(b) speeding, and his vehicle and Sgt. Nunez's vehicle immediately activated their emergency lights. Approximately six blocks were driven before \$87(2)(b) stopped his vehicle, and in this time, PO Smith testified he observed fail to stop at a stop sign and drive through a red light. PO Smith denied making any observations which indicated that \$87(2)(b) may have possessed a weapon. PO Smith observed PO Brito, Det. McEvoy, and Sgt. Nunez approach \$87(2)(b) s vehicle. PO Smith observed at least one of the officers with their gun drawn, but he did not know how many or which officer(s) did this. PO Smith testified the gun(s) he observed drawn were pointed at \$87(2)(b) s vehicle, but never at \$87(2)(b) PO Smith observed (a) gun(s) drawn for mere seconds, and the gun(s) were a few feet from \$87(2)(b) (Board Review 18).
An officer can display or draw a firearm based on an articulable belief that the potential for serious physical injury is present. Once an officer determines that the potential for serious physical injury is no longer present, they will holster the firearm as soon as practicable. NYPD Patrol Guide, Procedure 221-01 (Board Review 19).
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Allegation (C) Force: In front of 515 Blake Avenue in Brooklyn, an officer used force
against \$87(2)(b) testified that, after he exited his vehicle, he was pushed onto his vehicle by either PO Brito, Det. McEvoy, or Sgt. Nunez. His back was turned so he did not see which officer did this. The officer made contact with the middle of the top of \$87(2)(b) s back. \$87(2)(b) was not sure how many hands pushed him. \$87(2)(b) s chest made contact with the rear driver side door. He was then placed in handcuffs by an unidentified officer, as he was facing his vehicle. \$87(2)(b) sustained no injuries from this push, nor did he receive any medical attention.
Sgt. Nunez testified that he grabbed \$87(2)(6) s wrists and placed him into handcuffs, and that he was the only officer who made physical contact with him. PO Brito testified that she, Det. McEvoy, and PO Goris assisted in handcuffing \$87(2)(6) Det. McEvoy testified that Sgt. Nunez placed \$87(2)(6) into handcuffs.
Sgt. Nunez, PO Brito, Det. McEvoy, PO Smith, PO Allen, and PO Goris denied ever observing any officer push \$87(2)(5) against his vehicle, and denied doing this themselves.
PO Brito prepared the Threat, Resistance, and Injury report (T.R.I.) generated regarding this incident; however, it solely documents that the forced used against \$87(2)(5) was that he was placed into handcuffs. On the T.R.I. and \$87(2)(5) s arrest report, it also notes that \$27(2)(5) was resisting arrest by flailing his arms; however, this alleged resistance was uncorroborated by officers (Board Review 20).
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Allegation (D) Abuse of Authority: In front of 515 Blake Avenue in Brooklyn, Sergeant Oscar Nunez searched the vehicle in which 887(2)(9) was an occupant.
testified that, after he was handcuffed, he told the officers that he did not give consent for a vehicle search. \$87(2)(6) was asked by an officer whether he had identification, and if he had drugs or guns in the vehicle. \$87(2)(6) stated there was "absolutely nothing," in Page 5



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stationhouse while he was in custody, told \$87(2)(b) they had "not touched anything" in the vehicle after they had picked it up.
Det. McEvoy testified that \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ was getting arrested and his vehicle was illegally parked where he was stopped. While entering the stationhouse with \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ requested his wallet from Det. McEvoy, and told Det. McEvoy his wallet was inside his vehicle. As per his request, Det. McEvoy entered \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ s vehicle at the stationhouse, removed \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ s wallet and approximately seven credit cards with different names on them from on top of the center console. Det. McEvoy also looked under the front driver seat, as it was part of a routine search when vehicles are on police premises. Det. McEvoy returned inside the stationhouse and gave \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ s belongings he had removed from his vehicle to PO Brito, \$\frac{87(2)(b)}{2}\$ s arresting officer.
PO Goris testified that he drove \$87(2)(b) s vehicle back to the stationhouse, as per procedure when someone is arrested for \$87(2)(b) . Once PO Goris returned to the stationhouse, he and Det. McEvoy conducted an inventory search of \$87(2)(b) s vehicle, but nothing was recovered. PO Goris conducted this search as per procedure when someone in custody's vehicle is transported to the stationhouse.
Sgt. Nunez testified that \$37(2)(b) s vehicle was transported to the stationhouse by PO Goris, as an arrested driver's vehicle cannot be left in the field unattended, and \$37(2)(b) s vehicle was not legally parked where he was stopped. Sgt. Nunez testified that, while lodged in a holding cell, \$37(2)(b) requested his wallet from inside his vehicle. Sgt. Nunez did not recall whether was more specific about his wallet's location, but Sgt. Nunez later learned that Det. McEvoy had retrieved \$37(2)(b) s wallet from his vehicle at the stationhouse. Sgt. Nunez did not observe this occur, nor did he observe or learn of any additional search of \$37(2)(b) s vehicle at the stationhouse.
PO Brito testified that \$87(2)(b) s vehicle was transported back to the stationhouse by either PO Goris or Det. McEvoy. \$87(2)(b) s vehicle could not be left on the scene as he was arrested and it could not be left in the middle of the street unattended. PO Brito testified that \$27(2)(c) s vehicle was ultimately released to \$87(2)(b) s father. PO Brito denied that any search of \$87(2)(b) s vehicle was conducted.
PO Allen and PO Smith testified that \$87(2)(b) s vehicle was transported to the stationhouse by an officer (they did not recall who) per protocol, because \$87(2)(b) was arrested and his vehicle was illegally parked on Blake Avenue. Neither PO Smith nor PO Allen was aware of a search of \$87(2)(b) s vehicle at the stationhouse.
Property vouchers for Metrocards and credit cards were prepared regarding this incident (Board Review 08)

Whenever any property is taken into custody, an inventory search must be conducted to protect property, ensure against unwarranted claims of theft, and protect uniformed members of service and other against dangerous instrumentalities, and an officer is to remove all valuables from the

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vehicle and invoice on a separate property clerk invoice. <u>NYPD Patrol Guide</u> Procedure 218-13 (Board Review 07).
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The NYPD Patrol Guide presents a two-pronged approach to vehicle inventory searches. The first requisite is that the vehicle in question is taken into custody. Based on the corroborated testimonies that \$87(2)(6) was alone and his vehicle could not simply be left unattended in the street after he was taken into custody, the investigation found that PO Goris acted within his legal authority by transporting \$87(2)(6) s vehicle to the stationhouse, thereby taking his vehicle into custody. The second requisite to an inventory search is that all valuables recovered are invoiced on separate property clerk invoices. \$87(2)(6) alleged that nothing was removed from his vehicle, which was corroborated by PO Goris' testimony regarding his own inventory search of \$87(2)(6) s vehicle. However, the property vouchers prepared regarding \$100 s at 200 s
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Civilian and Officer CCRB Histories

- § 87(2)(b)
- Sgt. Nunez has been a member-of-service for 13 years and has been a subject in three CCRB complaints and 12 allegations, of which four were substantiated.
 - § 87(4-b), § 87(2)(g)
 - 201604051 involved substantiated allegations of a frisk and three stops against Sgt. Nunez. The Board recommended Command Discipline A and the NYPD imposed Formalized Training.
 - § 87(4-b), § 87(2)(g)
- PO Goris has been a member-of-service for four years and has been a subject in one CCRB complaint and two allegations, neither of which were substantiated.
 - § 87(4-b), § 87(2)(g)
- Det. McEvoy has been a member of service for ten years and has been a subject in eight CCRB complaints and 20 allegations.
 - 201206499 involved a substantiated vehicle search allegation against Det.
 McEvoy. The Board recommended charges and the NYPD has not yet imposed discipline.
 - 201207520 involved an unsubstantiated vehicle search allegation against Det. McEvoy.
 - o 201308203 involved an exonerated gun pointed allegation against Det. McEvoy.
 - 201510906 involved an unsubstantiated vehicle search allegation against Det. McEvoy.
 - o 201510906 involved an unsubstantiated refusal to provide name/shield number allegation against Det. McEvoy.

Mediation, Civil and Criminal Histories

- This complaint was not suitable for mediation.
- § 87(2)(b), § 87(2)(c)
- An inquiry into whether a Notice of Claim was filed regarding this incident was submitted to the Office of the New York City Comptroller on March 8, 2018. This request is still pending (Board Review 02).

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